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## **REMARKS**

Claims 13, 14, 29, 30, 44-48, 50-51, and 66, have been cancelled.

Claims 1, 19, 34, 35, 39, 40, 41, 52, 53, 57, and 58 have been amended. The amendments to claims 1, 19, 57 and 58, relating to selecting at least two amino acid residues wherein the residues are 250, and 428 is supported throughout the specification (see, e.g., page 18, lines 29-32). The amendments to claims 34 and 35 relating to *in vivo* mean elimination half-life at least about 1.8-fold longer are supported by the specification at e.g., page 9, lines 27-30; and page 80, line 32-33. Similarly, the amendments to claims 39-40 are supported by the specification at e.g., page 10, lines 2-5; page 80, lines 15-18). The amendments to claims 52 and 53 relating to antibody fragments are supported by the specification at e.g., page 23, lines 3-7; page 24, line 31 – page 25, line 3; page 39, lines 8-13.

No new matter is added in any of the above amendments.

Applicants request that the Examiner enter the amendments and consider the application.

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## **CONCLUSION**

Applicants believe that the application is in good and proper condition for allowance. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 463-8133.

Respectfully submitted,

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